

transfer of license, or the acquisition and operation of lines, covered by the application on the date of the completion of consideration of the application under paragraph (4).

“(C) If the Federal Communications Commission does not approve or deny an application for a transfer of license, or for the acquisition and operation of lines, by the date set forth in subparagraph (A) or (B), whichever applies, the application shall be deemed approved by the Federal Communications Commission as of such date. Approval under this subparagraph shall be without conditions.

“(6)(A) Any party seeking to challenge the reasonableness of a request of the Federal Communications Commission under paragraph (2) shall bring an action in the United States District Court of the District of Columbia seeking a declaratory judgment or injunctive relief with respect to that challenge.

“(B) In seeking to challenge the compliance under paragraph (3) of a party with a request under paragraph (2), the Federal Communications Commission shall bring an action in the United States District Court of the District of Columbia seeking a declaratory judgment or injunctive relief with respect to that challenge.

“(C) The period of an action under this paragraph may not be taken into account in determining the passage of time under a deadline under this subsection.

“(7) No provision of this subsection may be construed to limit or modify—

“(A) the standards utilized by the Federal Communications Commission under the Communications Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. 151 et seq.) in considering or approving transfers of licenses, or the acquisition and operation of lines, covered by an application referred to in paragraph (1); or

“(2) the authority of the Federal Communications Commission under that Act to impose conditions upon the transfer of licenses, or the acquisition and operation of lines, pursuant to such consideration or approval.

“(8) Subsection (g)(1) shall not apply with respect to the activities of a party under this subsection.”.

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—(1) Except as provided in paragraph (2), the amendment made by subsection (a) shall take effect on the date of the enactment of this Act.

(2) Subsection (k) of section 7A of the Clayton Act, as amended by subsection (a) of this section, shall take effect 30 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, and shall apply with respect to applications referred to in such subsection (k) that are submitted to the Federal Communications Commission on or after that date.●

TRIBUTE TO MICHAEL A. NAPP

● Mr. SANTORUM. Mr. President, I rise today to pay tribute to Michael A. Napp from Milton, Pennsylvania for achieving the honored rank of Eagle Scout. Scouting is recognized around the world as one of the premiere citizenship and leadership training activities. I am proud of the young people in Pennsylvania, like Michael, who go the extra mile to achieve this honorable rank.

Eagle Scouts learn valuable lessons in leadership, honor and pride in their communities. Since joining the scouts as a Tiger, Michael has served in several leadership positions including Senior Patrol Leader and Historian. In addition to his involvement in scouting, Michael has assisted in a cleanup day

in the borough of Milton and participated in an Adopt-A-Highway program. He is also active in high school track and field and a member of the Junior National Honor Society, the National Spanish Honor Society and the Key Club.

Mr. President, I ask my colleagues to join with me in commending Michael Napp for his outstanding community involvement. He has provided an excellent example for youth in Pennsylvania, and throughout the country.●

TO NULLIFY ANY RESERVATION OF FUNDS DURING FISCAL YEAR 1999 FOR GUARANTEED LOANS UNDER THE CONSOLIDATED FARM AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT ACT

Mr. JEFFORDS. I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of H.R. 882 which has been received from the House.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report.

The bill clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 882) to nullify any reservation of funds during fiscal year 1999 for guaranteed loans under the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act for qualified beginning farmers or ranchers, and for other purposes.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection to the immediate consideration of the bill?

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

Mr. JEFFORDS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the bill be considered read the third time and passed, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and that any statements relating to the bill be placed in the RECORD.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The bill (H.R. 882) was deemed read the third time and passed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. JEFFORDS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate immediately proceed to the executive session to consider the following nomination on the Executive Calendar: No. 5; I further ask unanimous consent that the nomination be confirmed, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and any statements relating to the nomination appear in the RECORD, the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action, and the Senate immediately return to legislative business.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The nomination considered and confirmed is as follows:

NATIONAL INDIAN GAMING COMMISSION

Montie R. Deer, of Kansas, to be Chairman of the National Indian Gaming Commission for the term of three years.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the Senate will resume legislative session.

HONORING MORRIS KING UDALL

Mr. JEFFORDS. I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of H. Con. Res. 40.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report.

The bill clerk read as follows:

A concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 40) honoring Morris King Udall, former United States Representative from Arizona, and extending the condolences of the Congress on his death.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection to the immediate consideration of the resolution?

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the concurrent resolution.

Mr. JEFFORDS. I ask unanimous consent that the concurrent resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, a motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and a statement of explanation appear in the RECORD.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 40) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

MEASURE READ THE FIRST TIME—S.J. RES. 13

Mr. JEFFORDS. Mr. President, I understand that S.J. Res 13, which was introduced earlier by Senator ABRAHAM and others, is at the desk, and I ask for its first reading.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will read the resolution for the first time.

The bill clerk read as follows:

A joint resolution (S.J. Res. 13) proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to protect Social Security.

Mr. JEFFORDS. Mr. President, I now ask for its second reading, and I object to my own request.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The objection is heard.

The bill will be read the second time on the next legislative day.

ORDERS FOR TUESDAY, MARCH 9, 1999

Mr. JEFFORDS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it stand in adjournment until 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, March 9. I further ask consent that, on Tuesday, immediately following the prayer, the Journal of the proceedings be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed to have expired, the time for the two leaders be reserved, and there then be a period for morning business until 11:30 p.m., with the following limitations: 10:30 to 11:30 under the control of Senator DURBIN or